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Academy to Teach Students Leadership Skills

BY GLYNN POGUE
Staff Writer

Some are born to lead, but HUSA is exploring the theory that many are taught to lead.

HUSA's newest initiative seeks to prepare freshmen and sophomores to be the next campus leaders.

Dubbed Leadership Academy, the school-year long program, slated to begin in a few weeks, will partner

participating underclassmen with upperclassmen who have held the leadership roles the newer students aspire to hold. HUSA officers, The Hilltop and Bison Yearbook editors, Homecoming organizers, undergraduate trustees and those who have worn the crown of Mr. and Miss Howard are among the mentors.

In a prepared statement of purpose, the student leaders said: "We have identified a lack in professional development, personal

growth and leadership training. We truly believe it is our responsibility to improve future leaders within the Howard University student body, which will in turn enhance life for all Howard students and the Diaspora."

HUSA Executive President Bryan Smart said, "Without a program like this, many would not have access to those who have actually done what they want to do, and they might simply find themselves thrust into a position."

Smart recalls fondly how a plethora of people, including former HUSA President Marcus Ware, helped prepare him for leadership. "I realize that the reason I've been able to do what I'm doing is because someone pulled me aside and said, 'I see something in you, and I want to help you develop it,'" Smart said.

The mentors intend to enhance professional knowledge and skills and begin a necessary network for success by conducting

seminars. They will also provide one-on-one advice during individual mentor/mentee meetings.

Sterling Jordan, a freshman political science major, said he has already submitted his application and hopes to be one of the students selected to be groomed.

"Getting involved in this program will be a great way to get feedback from individuals who've

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Students Taste the Mecca

BY TAHIRAH HAIRSTON
Campus Editor

Today, twenty student organizations will bring their cultures to the forefront of Howard University with the second annual Taste of the Mecca.

Taste of the Mecca will showcase the diversity of the twenty organizations participating by offering food, regional dances and other entities that make them one of a kind.

Sponsored by Target Hope, Howard University Student Association (HUSA) and WHBC, Taste of the Mecca will be held in Armour J. Blackburn Ballroom from noon to 6 p.m.

"This is basically like a mini Taste of Chicago, where different organizations show what they are known for, [whether] it is food, clothing, or dance," Target Hope Vice President Datrianna Meeks said. Some of the organizations involved are Rampage, Chicago People's Union and the African Student Association.

Coordinator Danielle James said she hopes this year's event will unify students with the various state clubs and organizations at Howard and help raise funds for Bison Ball.

The first Taste of the Mecca, held last year, was scattered around campus, with various events being held in different dormitories. According to Meeks, the focus was mainly on food.

"Last year, it was just amongst Target Hope. We felt like working together with other organizations that are well known on campus," she said.

James said this year's event will allow students to see what Howard has to offer and what makes each organization different from one another. "There's more to Howard than what people think," she said.

Meeks said many people think that because you go to an HBCU, there is no diversity, but many people at Howard come from different backgrounds and have different beliefs and customs.

"I hope they get a taste of the different cultures of students that go here," she said.



Protesters marched on the National Mall to raise money and awareness about autism and to be treated as "normal."

Autistic Plea Less Pity

People with autism speak out for equal treatment in society.

BY GENET LAKEW
Metro Editor

Detached from the sea of walkers at the annual Walk Now for Autism Speaks fundraiser in D.C., was a group of about 15 autistic individuals who stood protesting.

Against the backdrop of the Washington monument, they chanted "Autism Speaks doesn't speak for us," and "Autistic people speak. Are you listening?"

Ari Ne'eman, founder and president of the Autistic Self Advocacy Network (ASAN), led the protestors. Contrary to the mission of Autism Speaks, Ne'eman and members of ASAN allege that the organization is actually exploiting the autistic community instead of helping it.

"I saw that all too often, au-

tistic people are kept out of the public policy discussion about us and decisions are put forward that don't fit with our needs and don't relate to what we want," said Ne'eman, who, along with the other members of ASAN, is autistic.

On a misty Saturday morning, supporters came together on the National Mall for the Walk Now for Autism Speaks, and raised a total of \$692,196, according to the walk's website. The largest grassroots autism walk effort in the country, this annual event takes place in several communities around the United States, as well as in the United Kingdom and Canada.

According to an ASAN press release, 65 percent of the funds Autism Speaks raise go toward scientific research and identifying autism-causing genes. Autism Speaks

only allocates 4 percent to services for individuals and families.

"My goal is to try and get some of the money that Autism Speaks raises given to other organizations [that] focus more on helping improve the quality of life [of autistic individuals] with supports to hold a job or supports to be able to live independently," said Jonathan Gubits, ASAN member since 2007.

The vision of Autism Speaks is to increase awareness of the disorder, fund research into the cause, prevention, and treatment of autism and to advocate for autistic individuals and their families. Bob and Suzanne Wright, grandparents of an autistic grandchild, founded the organization in 2005.

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Health Care Bill Aids Millions

BY OLLIE MONTGOMERY
Staff Writer

Efforts to reform the nation's troubled health care system have taken a step forward with the introduction of the latest health care bill by House Speaker Nancy Pelosi, (D-CA).

The legislation aims to provide health insurance to 36 million Americans - who would otherwise go without by 2019 and provide a government-run "public option" to compete in the private sector. The bill would require citizens to purchase health insurance. According to the Congressional Budget Office (CBO), the bill would cost taxpayers an estimated \$1.055 trillion.

Despite its trillion-dollar price tag, the CBO said it would reduce deficits by \$104 billion over the next 10 years.

The plan will place 5.4 percent surtax on individuals who earn more than \$500,000 a year and on couples who earn more than \$1 million. People who earn \$250,000 are also eligible to bear the burden and will have to pay a tax increase of 2.5 percent.

"I do not think that it is fair just to ask only the people with the highest income to fund health care for everyone," said Jordan Rivers, a sophomore civil engineering major.

Rivers argued that if there is a health care mandate for all citizens, the burden must be shared among all citizens, in proportion to their income levels.

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Morehouse Band Students Survive Bus Accident

BY AARON RANDLE
Staff Writer

One Morehouse band member remains under observation at Grady Memorial Hospital in downtown Atlanta for injuries stemming from a Saturday bus crash that injured dozens of the school's band members and rocked the HBCU community.

According to the *Atlanta Journal-Constitution*, one of three Morehouse buses skidded on the wet roadway off I-75 south near the I-675 merge, flipped twice, and came to a rest on its side while on its way to a football game against Albany State University. The bus was carrying 42 of Morehouse's "House of Funk" band members, other

Morehouse students, neighboring Spelman students and faculty.

While more than a dozen students were believed to have suffered injuries, when speaking with the *Atlanta Journal-Constitution*, Capt. Jason Bolton, spokesman for the Henry County Police Department stated that none were life-threatening. Several students were taken to various hospitals in Atlanta and were soon released. Two of the most seriously injured students were taken to Grady. One student was released, while the other remains in the hospital for observation.

Identities of all persons involved have been kept secret as authorities try to figure out exactly what caused the accident.

The fact that there were no

fatalities came as reassuring words to those in the Atlanta University Center, especially Morehouse.

"I got a texts asking 'are you okay,' and I'm not even in the band," says Kobi

Ansong, a sophomore English major, who currently attends Morehouse. Ansong believes the abrupt incident worked to unite the already intimate Morehouse community.

"This [accident made] everyone really come together and try to make sure everyone was okay and everything was going to be alright."



There were no fatalities after a bus of Morehouse and Spelman students and faculty flipped over.

Morehouse College President Robert Franklin said in a statement issued Saturday that counselors and the chaplain would be on campus as resources at the students disposal.

"This was a frightening day, but thank God not a tragic day" Franklin said.

The Howard University Student Association Presents...

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Ending the Purge



BY JEROME JOSEPH
Contributing Columnist

This semester there were about 500 students faced with being purged. The total amount of money it would've taken to validate these people was about \$7 million. This situation is not unique because this same phenomenon occurs each and every school year.

I applaud the university for efforts to keep as many students in school as possible because at other institutions there is no such thing as a purge date. You would never step foot into a dormitory, let alone a class, without your balance paid in full.

With that being said, if you are going to have this purge process then a better plan should be in place. Each year, at the end of the purge date, the amount owed by invalidated students to the university is between five and seven million dollars. Therefore, why is there not a fund in place to ensure that these students stay in school?

Howard University's mission is to make a high quality education accessible to people who otherwise wouldn't be given the opportunity. But the university cannot continue to accept students that it does not have the means to support.

It's emotional terrorism to a student to be dropped off at the university only to be purged a month later. I must also say that we must hold ourselves as students accountable. If a student has less than 2.0 grade point average, they are ineligible for financial aid. If you have less than a 2.0, then you need to seriously reevaluate the reason why you are at Howard University.

I would describe the university's fund raising efforts as lackluster at best. We have become entirely too complacent with the federal appropriation that we receive each year (it usually amounts to about \$240 million). If the government decided to pull that appropriation one day, then Howard would be up a creek with out a paddle. The university should operate with a mind set that the appropriation could be gone tomorrow. It should be viewed as the icing on the cake, not one of the main ingredients. Significant improvement is needed from the Board of Trustees on down. Complacency can no longer be the rule of the day.

There needs to be a serious discussion on where the university will go from here. We can't continue to allow these students to be put out of school because of financial setbacks. I believe that Howard should head in the direction of universities such as Harvard and Princeton, who have the philosophy that if you get in and take care of business, we will make sure you graduate. Student leaders are willing to take a seat at the table and help offer solutions to this problem. The question is when will the administration decide to call us to the table?

Reporting Howard's Self-Study

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Educational Offerings

This summary of the findings of the self-study report is continued from Friday's Hilltop.

The University's academic programs, most of which are more than 100 years old, emanate from Howard's mission of being a comprehensive research-oriented university. The university strives to respond to evolving societal needs and prepare students for leadership and service to the nation and the global community.

- The School of Business established a Bachelor of Business Administration degree program in Supply Chain Management, which was approved by the Board of Trustees in August 2007.

- An introductory, freshman-level, interdisciplinary research course was offered in Spring 2007 to broaden undergraduate perspectives on research in the College of Arts and Sciences.
- A master of Public Health program was created in 2004, but was discontinued in 2008.

The Graduate School has developed graduate-level certificate programs in:

- Computer Security
- University and Faculty Preparation
- Women's Studies
- Migration Studies

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Assessment of Student Learning

to meet the educational needs of its students.

- 89 percent of students believe that Howard University is achieving its mission by "providing an educational experience of exceptional quality to students of high academic potential with particular emphasis on the provision of educational opportunities to promising Black students."
- 67 percent of students believe Howard has the ability

- 28 percent of students believe Howard has available physical facilities for conducting state-of-the-art research
- 29 percent of students believe Howard has adequate physical facilities for optimal learning
- 57 percent of students reported having been placed in jobs by graduation (May 2007)

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General Education

Undergraduate students should be enabled "to become productive members of society who can analyze, think critically, understand justice, and the importance of service to humanity."

General education at Howard is designed so that undergraduate students can acquire and demonstrate college-level proficiency in essential skills:

- (1) Oral and written communication
- (2) Scientific and quantitative reasoning
- (3) Critical analysis and reasoning
- (4) Technological competency

Although a number of policies exist on required courses, there is no uniform statement concerning the purpose and value of Howard's General Education curriculum, or a uniform statement that explains clearly how the program is articulated across all of the undergraduate programs.

There is insufficient assessment of core competencies outside of the classroom. There is unevenness of articulation, implementation and assessment of the university's core competencies.

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Research

In 1988, the Carnegie Foundation designated Howard University for the first time as a research university. Howard was the only Historically Black College and University (HBCU) with that designation.

- There are insufficient funds for new faculty startups, particularly in the natural sciences, and for the internal support of research for continuing faculty, graduate student stipends and undergraduate research.
- There has been insufficient investment in technological and physical infrastructure.

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Conclusion

the Characteristics of Excellence as defined by the Middle States Association of Schools and Colleges and is eligible, therefore, for reaffirmation of its accreditation.

The self-study process has resulted in a number of recommendations that are designed to advance the university's mission, legacy, core values and aspirations. They are also intended to strengthen the curriculum and improve faculty life and strengthen the student experience at Howard.

This self-study has provided a candid look at the progress made by the university over the past 10 years, where the institution stands today, and more importantly, where new journeys and pathways can and will lead in the future.

The self-study reveals that Howard is in compliance with



The site visit for the accreditation team has been scheduled for Tuesday.

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Related Educational Activities

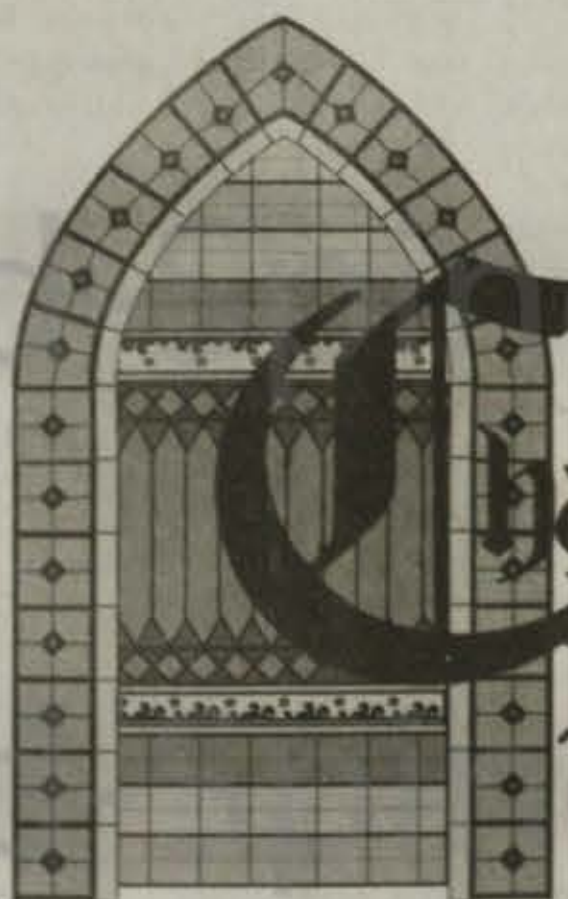
The university offers related educational opportunities for its students, which supplement their regular academic coursework and activities and enhance their learning and personal development. These educational opportunities include internships, undergraduate honors programs, study abroad, academic enrichment, co-op programs, on-line instruction and certificate programs, all of which adhere to academic and professional standards and align with the university's mission.

The strengths of Howard's certificate programs include the following:

- The accessibility of certificate programs in terms of tuition cost, course locations, and day and time of class meetings.
- The revenue-generating capacity of short-term

certificate programs.

- The clearance of Certificate of Competence programs through a curriculum review process that is at the departmental, school/college and Provost levels.
- The inclusion of courses that are a part of Certificate of Competence programs in the accreditation process of the departments.



Chapel Recap



Ryan Hamilton - Contributing Photographer

BY STACY-ANN ELLIS
Contributing Writer

Rev. Joe Samuel Ratliff, Ph.D., delivered a concise yet powerful sermon to the congregation about the "advantage of your vantage point."

Often referring back to the scripture found in Psalms 121, Ratliff, senior pastor at Brentwood Baptist Church in Houston, emphasized that Christians are being kept and preserved by Jesus. Regardless of the issues going on in life or the things people are doing, He will continue to watch over His people.

"Aren't you glad he looks beyond our faults?" he asked the crowd.

Ratliff discussed the different views one can have as a Christian. "If you want to be distressed, look within. If you want to be defeated,

look back. If you want to be distracted, look around. If you want to be dismayed, look ahead."

He stressed that fear will paralyze a person. Ratliff made a reference to Hebrew 11:1, "Faith is the substance of things hoped for." He said one must rely solely on faith.

According to Ratliff, the present-day synonym for faith is risk. Using a card game as an example, he explained that one must play what is in his or her hand, because that is what God has sent for them.

"How dare you be scared of what's ahead," he said.

At the end of his lesson, Ratliff pointed out that the solution to every problem, every worry and every question, lies above. He left the congregation with these words of encouragement: "If you want to be delivered, look up!"

"I lift up my eyes to the hills - from where will my help come? My help comes from the Lord, who made heaven and earth... The Lord is your keeper; the Lord is your shade at your right hand."

-Psalms 121:1-5

HUSA Molds New Leaders

continued from FRONT, LEADERS

held the leadership roles I want," Jordan said. "Personally, I want to go into student activities or possibly serve as the next HUSA president. I'm not sure which one, but this program will help make my decision easier. I'll get to learn first-hand exactly what the job entails. I'll have an advantage because I'll know what I need to do to get the position and what I'll have to deal with once I have it."

Arts and Sciences Student Council Treasurer Brandon Harris, sophomore political science major, said he plans to apply

for the Academy. He said, "It's important to promote strong leadership at Howard, which is often a little inconsistent. For example, one year COAS will be strong and the School of Business won't be, or visa versa. We need to make sure all our leadership is stable."

Smart says about 10 applications for the Leadership Academy have been filed, and he expects that number to grow to around 50 by the deadline.

Freshmen and sophomores have until Wednesday at 5 p.m. to complete an application.

Autistic Plea Less Pity

continued from FRONT, LEADERS

But Paula Durbin-Westby, organizer of the protest and ASAN board member, does not believe Autism Speaks is upholding its promise and vision.

Founded in 2006, ASAN is a non-profit organization composed entirely of autistic people who work to accurately educate the public and create honest conversations about autism. By engaging in public policy advocacy, they hope to change public perception and combat misinformation, as stated on the ASAN Web site.

"It's sort of a two-pronged approach. One, we want to educate some of the walkers about some of the tactics and methods of Autism Speaks because they use fear, misinformation and stigma about us to fundraise for their projects," said Durbin-Westby. "They use this kind of stigmatizing information and you wouldn't do that for another disability."

She cites a recent campaign advertisement used by Autism Speaks to garner attention to the disorder. Titled "I Am Autism," the video features an anthropomorphized "voice of autism" that poses as an intruder and threatens to divorce parents of autistic children and bankrupt families.

"I am autism...I know no color barrier, no religion, no morality, no currency," said the low but deep voice in the video. "I work very quickly. I work faster than pediatric AIDS, cancer, and diabetes combined."

ASAN members have a problem with such fundraising tactics because they feel the

overall message is degrading and helps to instill a sense of fear and alarm in the general public about autism.

Ne'eman said the "I am Autism" video and other Autism Speaks projects send the message that people who are autistic should be pitied and are a burden to society.

"There are some real practical implications and how it hurts us when we're trying to find jobs, when we're trying to be included in schools, when we're trying to be accepted by our peers, and enter relationships and friendships," said Ne'eman.

Evelyn Ireland is a 14-year-old eighth grader who is autistic and is trying to wade through school and unkind classmates. She said her peers annoy her because they view her as being different from them.

"I just don't tell people about my syndrome because I don't want them treating me like [I'm a] weirdo, or a baby, or make fun of me more than they already do."

Academically, she is "mainstream," meaning the school has not placed her in a special program. She is able to attend the same classes and matriculate through school in the regular program with her friends.

Even at such a young age, Ireland wanted to come to the morning's protest with her parents because she didn't believe in or agree with the way Autism Speaks represents her and others like her.

She said she wants to be better represented and seen as an equal to everyday, "normal" people.

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Norfolk State's Balance too Much for Bison



The Bison lost another game against Norfolk State this weekend after losing the Homecoming game last weekend.

BY CHEVONNE MANSFIELD
HU Sports Information Desk

DeAngelo Branch rushed for 123 yards and Chris Bell added 138 yards receiving and two scores to lead Norfolk State to a 41-6 win over Howard University in a Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference game at Dick Price Stadium.

The Spartans (4-4 overall, 3-3 in the MEAC) spotted the Bison six points and then reeled off 20 points to take a comfortable lead at the half.

Howard (2-6 overall, 0-5 in the MEAC) took the early lead when it put together its best drive of the season, a 12-play, 87-yarder that featured some fine execution by quarterback Floyd Haigler and some clutch catches by Willie Carter, including a 30-yard

TD pass.

Norfolk State, which had dropped its last three Homecoming outings, woke up and responded with quarterback Dennis Brown (12 of 21, 221 yards, 2 TDs) and Bell taking control.

Their [Norfolk State] offense was pretty good," Bison cornerback Branden Buford. "They did alot more than we expected them to do. They came out hard and pretty much got us."

During a four-minute span near the end of the first quarter, the two combined for 51 and 64-yard hookups that gave the Spartans the lead they would not relinquish.

Justin Castellat tacked on field goals of 27 and 31 yards to close out the scoring in the first half.

Any hopes that the Bison had of a second half comeback were dashed when Brown capped off a short drive with a two-yard run that upped the score to 27-6 at the end of three quarters of play.

With the Bison concerned over the deep passing game, the Spartans resorted to the running of Branch (19 carries, 123 yards), Donovan Cotton (79 yards on nine carries, 1 TD) and Brown (12 carries, 66 yards, 1 TD).

For the game, Norfolk State amassed 294 yards on the ground and 226 in the air.

Howard was unable to run the ball with any success against the Norfolk State defense as it rushed for a season-low 19 yards.

"I feel like we need to work on everything," Bufford

said. "Special teams, offense, defense, we need to work on it all."

Haigler completed 14 of 29 for 136 yards while Carter totaled 5 receptions for 59 yards and the team's only score.

Red-shirt freshman linebacker Keith Pough led the team in tackles with 11, while Martin Corniffe (9 tackles), Ian Simon (8 tackles) and Arando Jamison (7 tackles) all contributed in the loss.

"We didn't give up on ourselves," he said. "Usually if we're down in a game, we kind of hang our heads."

Howard hosts South Carolina State next Saturday at 1 p.m. while the Spartans travel to Baltimore to take on the Bears of Morgan State next Saturday at 4 p.m.

Professional Dreams Ending at College

BY JUSTIN AMEY
Contributing Writer

Millions of kids grow up with dreams of becoming a professional athlete. But many of those same kids change their minds after high school.

There are many high school athletes who attend college, but don't participate in college sports.

The demands of sports teams in college and the professional level are much higher than those of high school. The competition gets much tougher, as the most talented athletes in the world showcase their talent.

In college, the roster is filled with high school all-Americans and athletes who were the best at their high school, and some of them do not get much of a chance to play. The same thing can be said about the NFL or the NBA.

We all know about athletes who were superstars in college, but couldn't make the same impact at the professional level.

It takes a tremendous amount of talent and dedication to be a pro athlete. A well-known saying is that people have a better chance getting struck by lightning than becoming a professional athlete, which shows how difficult it could be to become a pro-athlete.

"I think we'd all like to make it to the pros," said senior information systems and services major Jeremy Gray. "As a pro-athlete, you're the best at what you do and that really means something."

The nature of sports in America has a huge impact on the ambitions of young athletes.

Millions of youth play sports, but only a few thousand individuals are fortunate enough to play professionally.

Unless you're scouted as a high school student, there's only a small chance an athlete will play in college. More often than not, only superstars from big name colleges make it to the professional teams.

At the collegiate level, the life of a student athlete is a very busy one. Most athletes receive full scholarships but they pay for it working hard in early morning practices and summer workouts.

George Parker, a sophomore management major, said he loved running track in high school, but didn't run in college because it would take up too much time.

"I played football in high school, but I didn't play in college, because I joined NAVY ROTC," said David Byfield, a freshman business management major. "I saw ROTC as a better opportunity because I would be guaranteed a good job outside of college."

A student athlete may give up on sports because of an injury or because they were not offered a scholarship.

"I saw myself playing baseball at the college level," Gray said. "I would have liked to keep playing, but Howard didn't have a baseball team."

At Howard, there are many students who were star athletes at their respective high school.

For one reason or another, a former student athlete's desire to pursue their academic goals in college outweigh their love for the sports they once played.



Football	MEAC Pct	Overall Pct
South Carolina State	5-0 1.000	7-1 .875
Florida A&M	4-1 .800	6-2 .750
Morgan St.	3-2 .600	5-3 .625
North Carolina A&T	3-3 .500	5-4 .556
Norfolk St.	3-3 .500	4-4 .500
Hampton	2-3 .400	4-4 .500
Bethune-Cookman	2-3 .400	3-5 .375
Delaware St.	2-4 .333	2-6 .250
Howard	0-5 .000	2-6 .250

TODAY IN SPORTS HISTORY

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Is Community Service a Student Responsibility?

Hundreds of Howard students engage in community service projects each semester, spending their time tutoring children in inner city D.C. schools, preparing meals at homeless shelters and picking up trash off of Georgia Avenue. It's a wonderful sight, isn't it? It's heartwarming to see young people being proactive and positive, giving back to the community that they belong to.

But in some cases, students engaging in community service activities aren't doing so for the right reasons. Unfortunately, it seems as though resume building may be one of the main reason students get involved in community service, instead of genuine interest and concern for the community.

Countless organizations require prospective members to be active in the community to gain membership. Through career build-

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Our View:

Students need to look at community service as their responsibility - not an assignment.

ing involved and giving back to the community is supposedly representative of a well-rounded individual, knowledgeable and qualified in areas other than academics.

For these reasons, the

Always aim at complete harmony of thought and word and deed.
Always aim at purifying your thoughts and everything will be well.

- Mahatma Ghandi

Sports Trivia Answer:

Nov. 1, 1946

Maple Leaf Gardens in Toronto

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"I Feel Like Dying: Depression and Suicide in the Black Community"

November 3, 2009

7:00 pm

Founders Browsing Room

YOUNG, BLACK, AND UNINSURED

A CONVERSATION ABOUT CHILD HEALTH CARE IN BLACK AMERICA.

FEATURING DR. GREG CARR AND DR. MICHAEL YOUNG

Tuesday November 3rd 7 PM in the School of Business Auditorium



URGENT

What:
Champions for Children's Health Stroller Brigade

When:
Wednesday, November 4th

Time: 10am

Where: U.S. Capitol

Meet at Howard-Shaw Metro at 9:00am and wear Howard gear.



Sitters

Wanted

\$12 or

more per

hour.

Register

free for

jobs near

campus

or home.

www.student-sitters.com

Please vote to see Howard's OWN on PROJECT RUNWAY
<http://castingchallenge.mylifetime.com/tcarter>

The Ladies of Alpha Chapter, Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Incorporated Present:

"Sketches of A Man: The Art of Male Expression"

All Male Talent Show Auditions

November 2, 2009 from 6:30 pm-9:30 and November 4, 2009 6:30-8:30pm

Lulu Vere Fine Arts Building Room 3001

All Interested Males can Contact: luncheon@womanto woman conference.org

Only Males can audition

UGSA and HUSA presents:

Student Apathy Funeral

Friday, November 6

1:30 PM-3:00 PM

at the Rankin Chapel

Let's bury student apathy!

Bison Yearbook wants all Undergraduate and Seniors to come out Nov 2-Dec 6 between 8am-5pm to the Music Listening room in the Lower Level of Blackburn for Yearbook photos. All UNDERGRADUATE students are "FREE" Seniors \$20 CASH ONLY!!!

Come and enjoy a play about the connection between Anne Frank and Emmett Till: "Anne & Emmett" by Janet Langhart Cohen. Dessert reception and discussion following the performance.

Wednesday, November 4, 2009

7 PM

Sixth & I Historic Synagogue

600 I Street, NW Washington, DC

Ticket Info: 202 234-683 or

www.oudc.org

HUSA & Target H.O.P.E. Presents...

"Taste of MECCA" Monday, Nov. 2, 2009 12p-6p Blackburn Ballroom

Come enjoy foods from all over the world! With over 20 state clubs and organizations participating the selections will be

ALPHA PHI OMEGA NATIONAL SERVICE FRATERNITY, ZETA PHI CHAPTER PRESENTS "THE FIFTH FIELD OF SERVICE: SERVICE TO THE EARTH" NATIONAL SERVICE WEEK 2009 MONDAY 11/2 ECO INFORMATIONAL DGH 116 7:25 P.M. TUESDAY 11/3 GREEN TABLE IN BLACKBURN LOWER LEVEL 12-3 P.M.

"The ambitious Members of NSCS present 1st Annual NSCS Week:

November 1st: Call to Chapel

November 2nd: Movie Night

November 3rd: Inductee ONLY Meeting

November 4th: Can Food Drive

November 5th: Resume Interview Workshop

November 6th: Game Night

November 7th: INDUCTION Ceremony!

Sister Stars, in conjunction with:

Alpha Chapter, Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc.

Alpha Chapter, Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.

Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority, Inc., Alpha Phi Chapter

Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc., Alpha Chapter

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"Not giving Up: Embracing the Victorious Woman in You!"

Featuring:

Marie C. Johns: former CEO, President, Verizon DC and H'U Trustee

Renee Higginbotham-Brooks: Vice Chair of the H'U Board of Trustees

Stefanie Brown: the youngest, female H'USA president

Dr. Paula Whetzel-Ribeau: First Lady of Howard University And many more

Monday, November 2, 2009 6:30pm - 8:00pm H'U Hospital Basement Auditorium

FOR LADIES ONLY!